

BODY OF WOMAN FOUND YESTERDAY IN RIVER HAS NOT BEEN AS YET POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED

Thought Possible That It May Be Annie Brown, of South Side, Pittsburg. But There Is Nothing To Prove This To Be The Case—Question As To Whether There Was Foul Play.

POLICE INVESTIGATING THIS AFTERNOON THE VICINITY OF PLACE WHERE WOMAN WAS FOUND

The question that is puzzling the authorities of this place is whether the woman that was found face downward in the water yesterday morning near "the crossing," between Speers and Charleroi, is whether she came to her death by foul play or committed suicide. There is evidence to indicate either. Another matter that is troubling the authorities is that of identification. As yet there has been no one to positively identify the woman, which is at the undertaking rooms of Reeves and Reeves. The body was found Sunday morning lying on the sand in the water not far from shore. Whether she had been carried there by the current or had been thrown there by some evil person who killed her is the question. An investigation is being made this afternoon by Chief of Police Albright and those who discovered the body, W. M. Gilmore and Bert Spackman, of the vicinity where the body was found to learn if there had any struggle taken place.

There are two probable solutions to the mystery, one that she may have jumped from the Belle Vernon bridge or that she met with foul play. She has bruises on the head and face that would go to indicate either. Louis Brusa, a singer at the Ideal theatre, Monongahela, thinks that he saw the woman on Saturday night, coming up on the car that reaches Fifth street at 11:55 o'clock, and states that she was talking in a maudlin sort of way. This would go to substantiate the suicide theory.

Dr. Edwin McKay performed the autopsy on the body. He stated that it was his opinion that the woman had met with some kind of a blow that stunned her before she was in the water, and that this had something to do with death. The lungs were not swollen, and there was no water in them. It is thought by him that the body had not been in the water for a

COLONIALS BEAT THE CASINOS

In the best basketball game of the season at the rink on Saturday night the Colonials defeated the Casinos by the score of 31 to 22. The game was very fast, and raised the enthusiasm to a high pitch. The lineup: Colonials—St. T. Mangano, F. Miller, Riggs, F. Miller, Oates, Wilson, C. Newton, Oller, G. Dietz, F. Miller, Substitutions: Pieper for Newton; Tobin for Miller. Baskets: T. Mangano 3, Riggs 3, Wilson 6, F. Miller, 2, E. Miller 3, Dietz 3, F. Miller, Pieper. Goals from fouls: T. Mangano 3, E. Miller 3. Referee: Byland.

Dance
The general committee of arrangements for the C. T. A. U. dance to be held Wednesday evening, Jan. 27th, in the Bank of Charleroi hall, report great progress. Everything points toward a very pleasant affair. Jenkins orchestra will furnish the music. The hours are from 8 to 12.

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GREAT DAY AT THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Yesterday at the Christian church was one of the greatest days in the history of the congregation. Both services were exceedingly well attended, the church at the evening hour being crowded. Twenty accessions was the total result of the days work.

This makes a total of sixty-two for the two first week's of the meeting. The series will probably continue during this week. The subject tonight will be, "Barabbas."

Child found Dead in Box Car

A little child perhaps five months of age was found dead in a box car at Brownsville on Friday night. It had been shipped it is thought from Youngstown, Ohio.

DECREE OF COURT IN A LOCAL CASE

Matter of Assessments Taken Up By Judge On Saturday.

In an opinion of great importance to coal operators and others handed down this morning, written by Judge Taylor, the court passes upon the matter of the appeals of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass company, the Pittsburgh and Westmoreland Coal company and John G. Patterson, all owners of large acreage of coal in the county, from the triennial assessment of 1908, by the county commissioners or Board of Revision of taxes.

In the case of the county against the Pittsburgh Plate Glass company, the court sustains the board of revision, with the exception that the court directs that a duplication in assessment of a portion of the works of the company in Charleroi, which is also found to be assessed in Fallowfield township, be stricken off, and with this the appeal is dismissed at the cost of the appellant. This duplication amounts to \$12,000.

The court says: "But strictly speaking, the appeals in these cases are based upon three grounds only, the positions put forward in the petitions for alone of the appeals being followed, namely: First—That it is improper to assess the block of coal owned by the appellants in block; it should be assessed in the original separate tracts or parcels in which it was purchased. Second—The coal underlying each separate original tract should be valued at the same rate as if coal and surface were both owned by the same person. Third—That the machinery, houses and equipment connected with the operations of the mine is unauthorized by law."

Upon these grounds the court disposed of the cases before them. The court enters into a discussion of each question at length. The companies who were appellants all own large acreage of coal. The Pittsburgh Plate Glass company has 316 acres of coal in Carroll township assessed at \$200 an acre, totaling \$63,200. Under the name of the "Charleroi Coal Co.," they have 1,194 acres of coal, with 128 mined out up to January 1, 1907, leaving 1,066 acres, assessed at \$300 an acre, totaling \$319,800. Also 28 acres of surface at \$1,400 and buildings and machinery, assessed at \$15,000. In North Charleroi borough the company has a lot of ground assessed at \$500.

JUVENILE COURT MEETING HERE

Washington Ladies Attend and Good Addresses On Work Are Made.

An interesting meeting of the Juvenile Court committee was held Saturday afternoon at the First Christian church it being attended by Mrs. J. A. McIlvaine, Mrs. Emma Speer, and Miss Lizzie Stockdale of Washington, all interested in the work of the court.

Mrs. J. K. Tener was the chairman of the meeting. Rev. Boblitt said the invocation, and Mrs. McIlvaine was introduced. She spoke on the general work of the court. After her talk, Misses Stockdale addressed on the topic, "Helpfulness of the Juvenile Court." Mrs. Speer spoke on "Practical Workings of the Court." Prof. W. D. Wright of this place gave a talk on what the work of the juvenile court is doing in the work of the schools. The meeting was closed by Rev. Shey of the Episcopal church.

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WHITEHEAD THE CHOICE OF REPUBLICAN VOTERS FOR CHIEF BURGESS OF CHARLEROI

HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH "SLIPS"

Bert Eckles Says He Did Not Put Out Filthy Circulars.

To Whom it May Concern.

I came to Charleroi on June 25, 1890, and have made my home here ever since that time. I have worked for everything that would be for the best interest of the town, and have always been identified and worked with the best people of our town. I have always taken an active part in politics beginning when Charleroi was still a township, and during all these years I have never entered into any dirty politics, or had my name connected with anything disgraceful. I have known Mr. R. J. Whitehead for the past eighteen years. I was one of his loyal supporters, and put forth every effort to help elect him every time he came out for office, although he was not on my ticket (Democrat during that time,) and when I learned that he was going to announce himself for Burgess, I was man enough to tell him that I could not support him for that office, and that I would neither work for nor against him, and to say that I was surprised when I learned that I was blamed for writing and had distributed through the town those "Pink Slips" is putting it very mildly. I positively did not have anything to do with this affair, either directly nor indirectly, and I think my friends and the people in general, know me well enough that if I have anything to say to a man, I will say it to his face, if I fight a man, I fight him in the open. I have never stooped low enough to stick him in the back. I think Mr. Whitehead is in possession of all the facts in connection with the "Pink Slip" affair, and after my conversation with him on last Saturday evening, he will exonerate me from all blame. I wonder if the party whose tongue was running like a dynamo telling it all around town, that I was the author of the pink slip, will, after he finds out he has been misinformed, have manhood enough in him to come to me and apologize. At any rate, I will give him plenty of time to consider it, and if he don't, I suppose I will have to go after him. Hoping this will clear me in the eyes of the public.

I am yours
Bert Eckles

NORTH CHARLEROI NAMES CANDIDATES

Good Men Placed In Nomination By Both Republicans And Democrats.

The North Charleroi Republicans have placed the following on their ticket for the various offices: Burgess, J. E. Kelley; council, Herman Nebbing, Albert Nutt; school director, P. E. Kramer, George Paxton.

The following are the Democrats nominations: Burgess Mr. Gee; council, Tom P. Sloan, and Elmer Craub; school directors, Bert Nutt, Murry Moss.

MAN KNOCKED OUT OF OVERCOAT

A foreigner at Vesta on Saturday was struck by a fast train and killed, although not instantly. The man was thrown a good distance, and several feet in the air. He was struck with such force that an overcoat which he had on was knocked off. He was picked up by the train that hit him and taken to Brownsville but died on the way there.

"Pink Slips" Went Good Ways Toward Winning The Nomination For Him—Election Was Hottest Ever Seen In Charleroi But There Was Little Disorder—Nice Contest For Council.

J. W. MATHIAS SURPRISES FRIENDS AND WINS OUT IN GOOD FIGHT FOR TAX COLLECTOR

Saturday's contest for the Republican nomination for Burgess was the most heated ever seen in Charleroi. It brought out an enormous vote and insures to the winner an easy victory in the February election. Robert Whitehead was the victor by a plurality of 23 votes. Because of so many contestants, it was a foregone conclusion that no candidate would have a majority of all the votes cast.

All the candidates were on friendly terms and true to their good Republican characters, they will all be found in line for Whitehead, as the Republican



J. W. MATHIAS

candidate, when the contest is on in February. The other five candidates must feel complimented by the excellent vote they received. They are all good, clean men and anyone of them would have made an excellent Burgess. The result might have been different had it not been for the unfair and filthy "pink slip." And let us say, as we predicted in Saturday's Mail, it is to the everlasting credit of the excellent character of the voters of Charleroi that they refused to allow the degraded, measly and ugly mud-slinger to have any influence over their opinions. In fact the good people gave him a severe rebuke and sent him back to think over his wrinkled, besmirched, scabby self. But this should not be the end for him. The authors and those who circulated the stuff should be punished. Our police should have arrested those whom they caught in the act of distributing such offensive and unlawful literature. They know it was an offense against the law as well as an insult to the moral character of our people. Our officers owe this protection to our people that they may never again be called upon to face such indecency in public affairs.

Republican.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot.
Burgess.				
Frank Bly	99	36	37	172
A. H. Furlong	48	48	50	146
John K. Hein	24	30	71	125
P. W. Jones	50	23	42	115
John Majors	96	34	15	145
Robert J. Whitehead	78	73	54	205

	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot.
Council 3 years.				
W. H. Calvert	147	97	57	301
S. T. Chester	92	40	19	151
F. L. Crow	147	42	25	214
Oscar C. Lynn	65	63	98	226
George Moody	67	60	118	245
Frank Riva	67	70	93	230
M. Wilson	92	42	106	240

Council 1 year.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot.
James Frew	196	81	33	310
H. R. Sherrick	103	72	32	207
A. D. Spencer	43	47	36	126

School Director.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot.
A. L. Bowers	119	88	55	262
James Gelder	175	107	111	393
D. H. Glont	161	98	96	355
J. A. Odhart	189	72	42	303
M. J. Tylavsky	34	36	68	138

Tax Collector.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot.
N. C. Brown	47	26	22	95
George W. Dawson	84	33	21	138
Frank Fagula	14	12	56	82
George Ginderman	20	11	6	37
J. W. Mathias	101	70	69	240
Samuel Partridge	34	26	38	98
E. E. Rice	27	17	10	54
Wm. Zellers, Jr.	70	50	54	174

Auditor.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot.
Harry Hermell	236	169	148	553

First precinct, Judge of Election.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot.
Frank Nelson, 314; Inspector, V. E. Reeves, 314; Assistant Assessor, George D. Clark 303.				

Second Precinct, Judge, F. P. McCloskey, 130; M. Wilson, 76; Inspector, Harry Assenat 173; Assistant Assessor, J. M. Hill, 179.

Third Precinct, Judge, Joseph Haube 122, Frank Patterson 73; Inspector, A. Chacke, 157; Charles Rodgers, 10; Assistant Assessor, F. Acker, 136.

Democrat.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot.
Burgess				
J. A. Bowman	1	0	1	2
Dan Bowser	5	0	1	6
T. S. Province	4	0	0	4
George Riebeck	33	28	1	62
Emile Velletay	6	0	1	7

Council 3 years.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot.
W. Richey	34	20	1	55
D. C. Whitlatch	37	27	1	65

Council 1 year.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot.
John Leyda	30	15	4	49

School Director.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot.
J. F. Bowman	22	12	7	41
Fred Cooper	25	16	5	46
T. M. Faddis	25	21	1	47

Tax Collector.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot.
Allen S. Mansfield	43	25	1	69

Auditor.

	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot.
Chas. Byland	35	26	1	62

First Precinct, Judge, Sam. Clough, 38; Inspector, L. E. Sabes, 38; Assistant Assessor, Sam. Clough, 40.

Second Precinct, Judge, Fred Estro, 22; Inspector, J. F. Land, 26; Assistant Assessor, Louis Brusa, 20.

Third Precinct, Judge, William Sanders, 4; Inspector, Robert Wood, 4; Assistant Assessor, Geo. Leyda 4.

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Card of Thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Geary wish to thank the many friends and neighbors for their kindness and sympathy during the sickness and death of their little one.

1909

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and see how you would like to go through the world with a black veil before them; that is what will happen if they need attention and you are neglecting them.

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Jan. 25 in History.

1502—Princess Margaret, daughter of
Henry VII. of England, married to
James IV. of Scotland; union of
the crowns.
1759—Robert Burns, poet, born near
Ayr; died 1796.
1772—James Hogg, "Ettrick Shep-
herd," poet, born; died 1835.
1906—Brigadier General Joseph Whee-
ler, U. S. A., retired, former Lieu-
tenant general of the Confederate
States of America and prominent
in public life since the civil con-
flict, died in Brooklyn; born 1837.
1908—Louise de la Ramee (Oulida), popu-
lar novelist, died at Florence,
Italy.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Sun sets 5:05, rises 7:11; moon sets
9:46 p. m.; 12:39 night, moon in con-
junction with Saturn, passing 3 de-
grees south of the planet, from west
to east; planet Mercury visible low in
west after sunset, 2 a. m.; Jupiter's
satellite No. 1 missing, because cross-
ing over face of planet.

GOOD EVENING.

America is the golden key with
which God has unlocked the new
millennium.—Dr. Thomas E. Green.

Results Satisfactory.

There were a few surprises at the
election on Saturday on the Republi-
can ticket, but on the whole a good
ticket was chosen to be voted upon at
the spring election. For Burgess
where there was the warmest con-
test, the one against whom the "pink
circulars" were put out was the win-
ner but with a small plurality, and no
majority. This is Mr. Whitehead.
Should he be elected to the office he
will make a good official. His oppo-
nent on the Democratic ticket will be
George W. Risbeck, also a strong
man, who it is predicted will poll a
big vote. Then there will be George
Newton who is running on the inde-
pendent ticket. All these are popular
men, and the contest for election
should be more spirited than the pri-
mary. For tax collector there was a
good contest, but the real fight like
that for Burgess will be at the elec-
tion. Council was not so warmly con-
tested, but we feel that good men
were chosen on both tickets.

Unfortunate Woman.

In the latest sensation where there
was a poor unfortunate woman found
floating on the surface of the Monon-
gahela river, we find much for con-
templation. The poor being whoever
she was, is so far without a chance
of a decent burial, except that which
is provided for unknown mortals by
the county. Hundreds have viewed
the remains, and many think they
have seen her, but not one as yet has
been able to establish her identity.
Friends evidently she had none, and
sawed if it be that was her only re-
sult seemingly. Perhaps, the woman
had for days been living without a
mouthful to eat. How do we know?

She was well dressed, and did not
look as if she were in need, but little
can we guess what heart anguish she
has had. It is indeed sad to think
that the body may have to be interred
without identification.

Electric Sparks

Occasionally a United States Sena-
tor allows himself to be imposed on
by financial tricksters in a way that
makes the man who answers a green
goods circular seem wise by compari-
son.

Some men are such liars that they
wouldn't believe themselves under
oath.

It doesn't make much difference
what we think, so long as we don't
think out loud.

The fellow who stays up all night
isn't the one who wakes up and finds
himself famous. It's all right to
hope for the best, but if you spend all
your time in hoping you'll never get
it.

Don't trust the fellow who has a
vacant look in a poker game. He
generally has a full house.

From the peaceful precincts of the
New Castle Democrat comes a word
of praise for the "perfesh" with
which we are identified and we repro-
duce it for the benefit of those of our
readers who may not be Uncle Jeff
McClure's cherished subscribers.
Peruse, gentle reader: The West-
ern Penitentiary contains fif-
teen bankers and not an editor.
We may be poor but we are honest—
on the record.—New Castle Herald.

The President has written the Ten-
nessee sprinter, J. A. Rector, urging
him to meet the fleet South African,
J. E. Walker. The multifarious
tastes and duties of a President!

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tor allows himself to be imposed on
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son.

The expressed desire of the Presi-
dent-elect that he have 'possum to
eat while in the South is proof posi-
tive that he has the taste of a patri-
cian. No plebeian likes 'possum.

Seeing that a select hunting party
is shortly to start here, it looks
strange that Cape Colony should
suddenly decide to surround its
ostriches and their accompanying
plumes with a rigid protective policy.

Peter Rutsek may yet be brought
back to Fayette county. He is a
citizen of the United States and ne-
gotiations are under way with the State
Department at Washington pending
his extradition. However, there is
some question as to whether he can be
secured or not, as the extradition laws
do not cover the taking of private
funds. Rutsek is located in the prison
at Buda Pesth, Hungary, and the
authorities there state that Rutsek
declares he is not an American citi-
zen, although records in Fayette
County prothonotary's office show to
the contrary. In Alien Docket No.
2 are entries showing that Peter Rut-
sek, banker, native of Hungary, de-
clared his intention of becoming a
citizen of the United States on July
15, 1891, and that in September 7,
1896, he was granted naturalization
papers. His papers are No. 5019.

Fight at Ninth Street Last Night

A fight took place at Ninth street
and McKean avenue this morning at
about 1:30 o'clock between some Poles
One was slashed up pretty much.
There will be an arrest made and a
hearing will be given tonight or to-
morrow.

Kerr.

Mrs. Mary Kerr age 83 years died
at the home of her son-in-law, at
Dunlevy on Sunday morning at 2
o'clock. Death was due to old age.
The funeral will be held at Nobles-
town on Tuesday the body being taken
there leaving Dunlevy on the 9 o'clock
train tomorrow morning. Interment
will be at Noblesstown.

James Barnett, Joe Hurst and
Russell Sphar spent Sunday in Union-
town with friends.

V. J. Shearer spent Sunday at his
home in McKeesport.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Richardson were
in West Elizabeth yesterday spending
the day with friends and relatives.

Rev. and Mrs. G. G. Kerr and
little daughter are spending the day
in Pittsburg with friends.

SERVICES AT THE LUTHERAN CHURCH

The services at the Christ English
Lutheran church yesterday were
especially helpful and well attended.
Four new members were added bring-
ing the total adult accessions to 11 in
the last two weeks. The offering for
the day amounted to over \$100. This
active and flourishing congregation
are anxiously waiting for the time
when they can get into their new
church which will be in the early
spring.

Adolph Will Give Shoes to Winner

In the election contest as advertised
Adolph will show his liberality by the
giving away shoes to the nearest
guessers of the majority on the Repub-
lican ticket for Burgess. There was
no majority in the election but much
less. Therefore the lowest guesses
wins the prizes—a pair of shoes
apiece. For the girls, there were
two tied, Gertrude Sloan and Grace
Rice, both of whom guessed there
would be five of a majority. The boy
was Robert Ellison who guessed that
Whitehead would have 8 of a major-
ity this being the nearest.

The shoes will be given to the little
folks tonight if they appear with
their parents and a copy of this
article. If they are unable to come
tonight they are requested to come at
the first opportunity.

Fred Lindaur has resigned his posi-
tion as pianist at the Ideal theatre,
New Haven, and is spending the day
in Charleroi preparatory to leaving
for Boston, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Yon spent
Saturday in Wilkesburg with friends.

Frank McClure spent Sunday in
Elizabeth with friends.

Henry Hanger took his mother to
Greensburg yesterday where she will
spend some time with another son.

William McFall spent yesterday in
Brownsville with friends.

Misses Sallie and Josie Reese have
returned home after spending a week
in Phillipsburg and Milesburg where
they attended the funeral of their
mother.

George Wise and daughter of
Waterloo, Iowa are guests at the
home of G. W. Paxton of North Char-
leroi.

HAYDN'S UNHAPPY WIFE.

The Composer Married Her Merely to
Oblige Her Father.

Haydn married not the girl he was
in love with, but her sister. "Haydn,
you should take my oldest daughter,"
said Father Keller, the barber, and as
Keller had done a good deal for Haydn
the composer felt that he must sacri-
fice his affection on the altar of duty
and oblige the old man. At the time
of the marriage, in 1760, Haydn was
twenty-nine, while his Anna Maria
was thirty-two. There does not appear
to have been much love on either side
to start with, but Haydn declared that
he had really begun to "like" his wife
and would have come to entertain a
stronger feeling for her if she had be-
haved in a reasonable way. Unfortu-
nately Anna Maria had neither rhyme
nor reason in her composition. The
entertaining Marville says that the ma-
jority of ladies married to men of
genius are so vain of the abilities of
their husbands that they are frequent-
ly insufferable. But Frau Haydn was
not a lady of that kind. The world
had emphatically proclaimed her hus-
band a genius, but to Maria it was
quite immaterial whether he were a
quitter or an artist. Nay, she even
committed the incredible crime of
using the composer's manuscript scores
for cutting paper, as underlays for
quilt and similar things. She was
gay enough with it all too.

When Haydn went from home, she
would send him the most cheerful lit-
tle notes, "Should you die today or to-
morrow," ran one of these missives.
"There is not enough money left in the
house to bury you." At another time
when Haydn was in London he received
a letter in which Maria wrote that she
had just seen a neat little house which
she liked very much and that he might
do himself the pleasure of sending her
2000 gulden with which to buy it so
as to have in future a "widow's
home." Pleasant reading this for the
genial composer. In the next case he
wrote without a trace of anger,
"Should this be so take my manu-
scripts to the music publisher. I guar-
antee you that they will be worth
money enough to defray my funeral
expenses." In the matter of the "wid-
ow's home" he thought it would be
best to arrange things himself. Ulti-
mately he bought the house, and in
spite of Maria's frequent suggestions
of his coming dissolution he lived in it
for nine years after she had been dead.
Frau Haydn saw out her seventy
years, but some time before that the
pair had agreed to live apart as the
best way of ending a union which had
proved utterly unbearable to the com-
poser.

Marry and Part for a Year.
Among the many peculiar customs
prevalent among the people of Central
America is that of parting for one year
after the marriage ceremony has been
solemnized. This custom has prevailed
among the Jaroos from time immemo-
rial. There is no courtship allowed to
be carried on between the parties prior
to the wedding. When a man selects a
woman he obtains the consent of the
parents on both sides, and if this is
given they are at once married. The
reason, however, for their not living
together as man and wife for one year
after marriage is in order to permit of
the parties visiting and staying with
their respective friends in different
parts of the country, which is a cus-
tomary thing and occupies the time
specified. Ninety-nine out of a hundred
of these marriages turn out well.

A Chance to Spoon.
A young couple from the suburbs
went to Dublin the other day to see
the pantomime. Being early, they vis-
ited a tea room and had the place all to
themselves. The attending waitress
had omitted in serving them to supply
the necessary implement to effectually
assist in the proper and palatable ad-
mixture of the tea, cream and sugar.
"Can we have a spoon?" inquired the
swain.
"Certainly," replied the observant at-
tendant. "I am just tidying up, and
you can have the whole room to your-
selves in a minute or two."—Liverpool
Mercury.

Pleasant.
Mistress (midnight)—I don't intend to
come downstairs to let you in at this
time of night again. New Girl (reassur-
ingly)—You won't have to, mum.
One of my friends took an impression
of your lock, and he's making a nice
key for me.—London Globe.

Fatal Error.
"N. Peck's wife leads him a rather
merry gait, I fancy."
"Oh, yes. When he was courting
her he told her one day she looked
pretty when she was angry, and now
it has got to be a habit."

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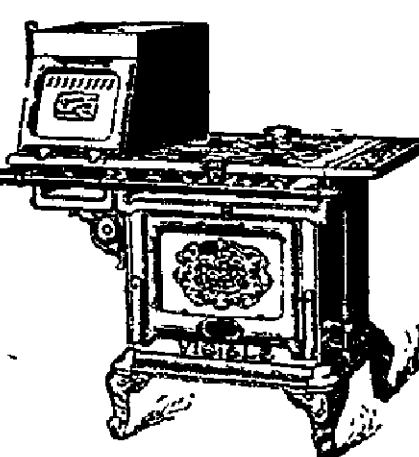
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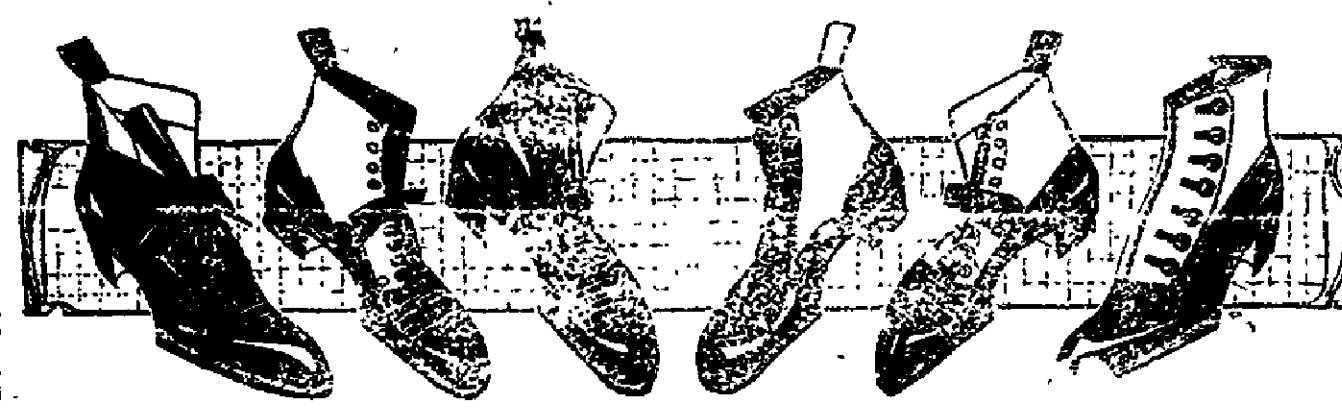
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Story of a Foot Race.

A voluble negro who was discovered pacing a fast beat across the Tenth street viaduct the other night explained his haste to the policeman who arrested him.

He explained that he had been to a swell dance and had paid the sum of \$2.50 for the rent of the startlingly correct attire in which he was clad. During the progress of the dance a short yellow man had repeatedly bumped against him in a most offensive manner. He related the story with dignity and unction.

"This yere yellow nigger, he kep' a-bumpin' fater me till I ses to him, I ses, 'I'll see you after this dance outside.' I ses to him.

"He ses, 'Very well, sub; I'll see you after this dance.' 'I didn't like the looks of him no-how, and when we gits outside he pulls a big razor, and he ses, 'I'll carve you,' he ses, 'jes' that er-way.

"I thinks of that suit I pays \$2.50 fer, and I githers up all the rabbit they is in me, an' I starts to runnin', and I runs fast, I runs like a jack rabbit outtill I gits to the viaduct, and a big police he hollers to me:

"'Hey, there!' he hollers. 'What you'd gwine so fast?'

"'Is jes' a-runnin' to ketch a car,' I hollers back. But he grabs me, and he ses:

"'Ketch a car, nigger! Why, youse passed four cars a-ready!'—Omaha World Herald.

A Curious Rescue.

Two officers hunting wolves on the dry mountain, in central Serbia, lost their way in a fog. After wandering for fourteen hours one of them lay down in the snow and speedily became unconscious. His comrade bound him with cords, placed him in a sitting position and then rolled him down the mountain. He rolled down the slope at terrific speed and reached the bottom safely, being found an hour later in an exhausted condition by a peasant.

Man and Plants.

M. Camille Saint-Saens says: "I do not pretend to adduce irrefragable evidence in support of my theory that man began his earthly career as a plant. I do maintain, however, that an impartial examination of my theory must allow that my assumption and hypotheses are sufficiently plausible to be considered justifiable."

Keeps Him High Strung.

"The manager always keeps back a portion of the villain's salary."

"Why does he do that—afraid he'd skip?"

"No, but he always acts his part better when he's mad."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Rarest of Trades.

"Mine is the rarest of all trades," said an Englishman. "I am a maker of instruments of torture. I suppose that at this moment in Siam and China yellow men are bleeding and howling in the clutch of machines of my make."

He lighted his pipe. "Pleasant thought, eh? But we must make our living somehow. In Birmingham mine's made. There for seventeen years I have been turning out racks, hair and nail drawers, thumbscrews, skinners, needle beds, searing irons, bone breakers and what not.

"Siam and China have bought their instruments of torture from Birmingham for generations. Some of these contrivances are very costly and ingenious. There's a water dropper which works by clockwork that costs \$300. There's a— But that's too terrible to talk about. The Chinese instruments, by the way, are a million times crueler than the Siamese."—New York Press.

Sanson and Louis XVI.

Three letters written by Sanson, the executioner of the "terror," are printed in the Paris Gaulois. One of the most interesting of them is short enough to be quoted in full:

"Citizen—I have just learnt that the rumour is current that I am selling out, causing to be sold locks of the hair of Louis Capet. If any have in fact been sold, this abominable trade can only have been carried on by impostors. The truth is that I have not allowed any one in my house to carry away even the smallest relic."

Sanson, it appears, had in his private capacity much sympathy with the king whose head it was his duty in his professional capacity to cut off. In another letter he attributes the courage with which he met his death to the firmness of his religious principles, and when he himself died in 1806 he bequeathed money to pay for masses for his victim's soul.

Holding His Job.

"I think the man who works at that place across the street is the most faithful and conscientious workman I ever saw. He never takes a holiday and always labors away till it's too dark to see any longer."

"Faithful workman! Great Scott! He's the proprietor of the shop!"—Chicago Tribune.

The Fireside Diplomat.

"I don't want to be nagging at you," Mrs. Marryat began, "but it's the little things that bother me most."

"Ah!" interrupted her husband sweetly. "I suppose you're going to tell me you haven't a decent pair of shoes."—Philadelphia Press.

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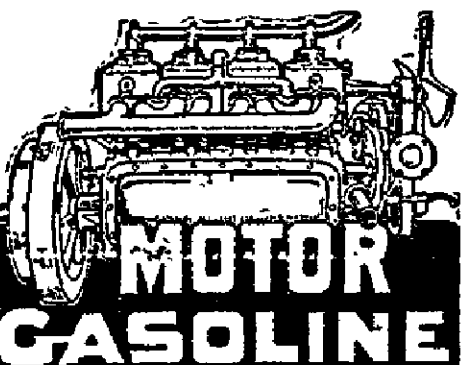
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- All Ladies' Suits sold during this sale go at One-third off.
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- All Leather Goods go at One-fourth Off.
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No Goods Laid Away at These Prices.

The above Sweeping Reductions will give you an idea of the way the prices are cut. There are such prices all over the store and we will be ready for you Saturday morning. It's only one week—and these prices cannot last.

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The Message on His Watch.

In "Memories of Eight Parliaments" Mr. Lucy, the author, tells a story about Mr. Pyne, member for West Waterford, who, when under the crimes act a warrant was issued for his arrest in 1887, shut himself up in his Irish home, Lashaney castle, had the trenches filled with water, the drawbridge up, took in supplies by a window in the battlements and thus lived for months, while he poked fun at the policemen who were wandering about below with the warrant in their pockets.

"The originality of Mr. Pyne's mind," continues Mr. Lucy, "was further indicated upon his watch. On its dial he had roughly engraved 'Pay no rent.' Whenever in troubled times any of his neighbors came to him for advice as to what they should do in the presence of a demand for rent, Mr. Pyne solemnly shook his head. 'I cannot,' he said, 'express my views on the subject, for Mr. Balfour says they are illegal. But I'll tell you what I'll do. I'll show you what time of day it is, and, holding out his watch, the perturbed tenant read upon it the admonitory legend, 'Pay no rent.'"

Laws Against Beggars.

Begging was a capital offense in England in the days of Henry VIII., when the laws were very severe

against beggars, and under a statute passed in that reign any one caught begging for the first time, being neither aged nor infirm, was whipped at the cart's tail. If caught a second time his ear was slit or bored through with a hot iron. If caught a third time he suffered death as a felon unless some honest person having 10s in goods or 40 shillings in land or some householder approved by the justices would take the offender into his service for two years, entering into a bond of £10. So the law of England remained for sixty years. First enacted by Henry VIII., it continued unrepented through the reigns of Edward and Mary. Reconsidered under Elizabeth, the same law was again formally passed, the two legislative houses thereby expressing their conviction that it was better for a man not to live at all than to live the life of a beggar.

Tainted Diamonds.

The lapidary was about to cut the tail off a tadpole shaped yellow diamond. "The chances are," he said, "that this fellow will turn white from terror when I split him. If he does his value will go up 200 per cent." The lapidary set his steel knife in position. He prepared to strike on the knife's back the momentous blow. "Wish me luck," he said.

SHOE CLEARANCE

We're throwing Dollars your way these days.

Our Grand Shoe Clearance Sale does the work.

We're cleaning out our present stock in order to get ready for Spring Shoes.

No carry-overs here.

No, Sir!

When the season ends the Shoes are ordered out.

To give you an idea of what's doing, we'll say—

Our \$4.00 Shoes go for \$3.48, \$3.50 Shoes for \$2.98, \$3.00 Shoes for \$2.48, etc.

Men's, Women's, Boys', Misses' and Children's Shoes all discounted, and all must go.

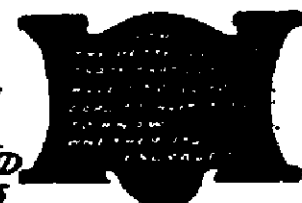
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CHARLEROI, PA.

And the hamster fell, the amputated tail dropped into the box underneath, and, lo, the yellow diamond that had been split was now quite white.

"The yellow taint," the cutter explained, "was only in the tail. Yet the taint was reflected all through the stone, and this made it seem of a uniform yellow throughout. Now the taint is gone, and our yellow diamond is a pure white one."

"The miracle happens fairly often"—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Miss the Easy Road.

Two young exponents of the strenuous life on Broadway were sitting in a hotel lobby the other evening discussing their plans for making some "big money" in the future. One of them confessed that his salary was "only \$45 a week," and he was having a hard time of it in keeping the wolf from the door. Sitting near them was an old gentleman who overheard their conversation and was evidently interested. "You fellows are making the mistake of your lives," the old gentleman said at last. "You are chasing the will of the wisp while you have the means of wealth within your grasp. Why, I'm considered pretty well off financially, as you both know, and I never received a salary of \$45 a week in my life. But I saved money when I was your age, and I found opportunities for investment that soon put me out of the salary class and made me a business man on my own account. The trouble with young fellows nowadays is that they can't see the opportunities that are given them. They have their eyes glued to the get rich quick idea so tight, by that they pass by the only sure route to wealth."—New York Globe.

the owner to turn the grindstone, he expended a half hour's time in sharpening the blade. When the rehabilitated ax was given to the Indian he was chubbily gleeful, but still lingered about, indicating by his actions that some feature of the transaction had not been adjusted.

The farmer was a little annoyed and called to an interpreter. "Ask the old fellow what he wants now," he directed.

After an exchange of grunts and gestures the interpreter announced, "He wants 25 cents."

"Twenty-five cents! What for?" "For turning the grindstone,"—Harper's.

Making It Plain.

Henri was paying his first visit to London and was already wishing himself home in Guy Paree, for he knew not a word of English. He had been very unfortunate and had lost all his luggage, a toothbrush. So he determined to buy another. But how was he to make his needs understood?

At last his luck turned, however, and he espied a chemist's shop with a notice outside, "ICI on Parle Français." In he went and told the assistant in French what he wanted. But that assistant knew no language except English, and another who came to help him was just as far at sea.

But the proprietor was an intelligent man, and he knew at once from the cut of the customer's clothes that he was speaking French.

"Leave him to me," he said, with a superior smile.

Then, forming a megaphone with his hands, he shouted in the Frenchman's ear.

"Our assistant who speaks French is out at lunch. You'll have to wait!"—London Scraps

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Handwriting.

As a rule, clear handwriting is more common with persons who do not write for a living than with those who do. Authors, for example, are creating something when they write, their mind is concentrated on this creative work, their thoughts are generally ahead of their hand, sometimes a whole sentence, and they hurry to keep pace with them. The result is bad handwriting, but handwriting with individuality in it, if not character. There is a theory that plain writing is most easily forged. This is not true. Obscure signatures are most easily forged and the so called freak signatures, which nobody can read, easiest of all. The best signature and the safest for a man who signs checks is neither too trim nor too involved; just plain, everyday writing, done in the easiest way, according to his temperament. Such a signature expresses as much character as any handwriting can, but it doesn't tell us a thing about the man's moral makeup; not a thing.—Boston Globe.

Wanted His Dues.

A reservation Indian was disconsolate over the breaking of his ax handle. He laid his misfortune before the "farmer" of the reservation, who, through pity, took a new handle from his private stock and adjusted it to the ax. The farmer then noticed that the ax was shockingly dull. So, supposing

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BODY OF WOMAN FOUND YESTERDAY IN RIVER HAS NOT BEEN AS YET POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED

Thought Possible That It May Be Annie Brown, of South Side, Pittsburg. But There Is Nothing To Prove This To Be The Case—Question As To Whether There Was Foul Play.

POLICE INVESTIGATING THIS AFTERNOON THE VICINITY OF PLACE WHERE WOMAN WAS FOUND

The question that is puzzling the authorities of this place is whether the woman that was found face down in the water yesterday morning near "the crossing," between Speers and Charleroi, is whether she came to her death by foul play or committed suicide. There is evidence to indicate either. Another matter that is troubling the authorities is that of identification. As yet there has been no one to positively identify the woman, which is at the undertaking rooms of Reeves and Reeves. The body was found Sunday morning lying on the sand in the water not far from shore. Whether she had been carried there by the current or had been thrown there by some evil person who killed her is the question. An investigation is being made this afternoon by Chief of Police Albright and those who discovered the body, W. M. Gilmore and Bert Spakman, of the vicinity where the body was found to learn if there had any struggle taken place.

There are two probable solutions to the mystery, one that she may have jumped from the Belle Vernon bridge or that she met with foul play. She has bruises on the head and face that would go to indicate either. Louis Brusa, a singer at the ideal theatre, Monongahela, thinks that he saw the woman on Saturday night, coming up on the car that reaches Fifth street at 11:35 o'clock, and states that she was talking in a maudlin sort of way. This would go to substantiate the suicide theory.

Dr. Edwin McKay performed the autopsy on the body. He stated that it was his opinion that the woman had met with some kind of a blow that stunned her before she was in the water, and that this had something to do with death. The lungs were not swollen, and there was no water in them. It is thought by him that the body had not been in the water for a

DECREE OF COURT IN A LOCAL CASE

Matter of Assessments Taken Up By Judge On Saturday.

In the case of the county against the Pittsburgh Plate Glass company, the court sustains the board of revision, with the exception that the court directs that a duplication in assessment of a portion of the works of the company in Charleroi, which is also found to be assessed in Fallowfield township, be stricken off, and with this the appeal is dismissed at the cost of the appellant. This duplication amounts to \$12,000.

The court says: "But strictly speaking, the appeals in these cases are based upon three grounds only, the positions put forward in the petitions for alone of the appeals being followed, namely: First—That it is improper to assess the block of coal owned by the appellants in block; it should be assessed in the original separate tracts or parcels in which it was purchased. Second—The coal underlying each separate original tract should be valued at the same rate as if coal and surface were both owned by the same person. Third—That the machinery, houses and equipment connected with the operations of the mine is unauthorized by law."

Upon these grounds the court disposed of the cases before them. The court enters into a discussion of each question at length. The companies who were appellants all own large acreage of coal. The Pittsburgh Plate Glass company has 316 acres of coal in Carroll township assessed at \$200 an acre, totaling \$63,200. Under the name of the "Charleroi Coal Co." they have 1,194 acres of coal, with 123 acres of surface, assessed at \$1,000 an acre, totaling \$1,194,000. Also 25 acres of surface at \$1,400 and buildings and machinery, assessed at \$15,000. In North Charleroi borough the company has a lot of ground assessed at \$800.

WHITEHEAD THE CHOICE OF REPUBLICAN VOTERS FOR CHIEF BURGESS OF CHARLEROI

HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH "SLIPS"

Bert Eckles Says He Did Not Put Out Filthy Circulars.

I came to Charleroi on June 25, 1890, and have made my home here ever since that time. I have worked for everything that would be for the best interest of the town, and have always been identified and worked with the best people of our town. I have always taken an active part in politics beginning when Charleroi was still a township, and during all these years I have never entered into any dirty politics, or had my name connected with anything disgraceful. I have known Mr. R. J. Whitehead for the past eighteen years, I was one of his loyal supporters, and put forth every effort to help elect him every time he came out for office, although he was not on my ticket (Democratic during that time,) and when I learned that he was going to announce himself for Burgess, I was man enough to tell him that I could not support him for that office, and that I would neither work for nor against him, and to say that I was surprised when I learned that I was blamed for writing and had distributed through the town those "Pink Slips" putting it very mildly. I positively did not have anything to do with this affair, either directly or indirectly, and I think my friends and the people in general, know me well enough that if I have anything to say to a man, I will say it to his face, if I fight a man, I fight him in the open. I have never stooped low enough to stick him in the back. I think Mr. Whitehead is in possession of all the facts in connection with the "Pink Slip" affair, and after my conversation with him on last Saturday evening, he will exonerate me from all blame. I wonder if the party whose tongue was running like a dynamo telling it all around town, that I was the author of the pink slip, will, after he finds out he has been misinformed, have manhood enough in him to come to me and apologize. At any rate, I will give him plenty of time to consider it, and if he don't, I suppose I will have to go after him. Hoping this will clear me in the eyes of the public.

I am yours
Bert Eckles.
Charleroi, Pa., January 25, '00.

"Pink Slips" Went Good Ways Toward Winning The Nomination For Him—Election Was Hottest Ever Seen In Charleroi But There Was Little Disorder—Nice Contest For Council.

J. W. MATHIAS SURPRISES FRIENDS AND WINS OUT IN GOOD FIGHT FOR TAX COLLECTOR

can nomination for Burgess was the most heated ever seen in Charleroi. It brought out an enormous vote and insured to the winner an easy victory in the February election. Robert Whitehead was the victor by a plurality of 23 votes. Because of so many contestants, it was a foregone conclusion that no candidate would have a majority of all the votes cast.

All the candidates were on friendly terms and true to their good Republican characters, they will all be found in line for Whitehead, as the Republican candidate, when the contest is on in February. The other five candidates must feel complimented by the excellent vote they received. They are all good, clean men and anyone of them would have made an excellent Burgess. The result might have been different had it not been for the unfair and filthy "pink slip." And let us say, as we predicted in Saturday's Mail, it is to the everlasting credit of the excellent character of the voters of Charleroi that they refused to allow the degraded, meanly and ugly mud-slinger to have any influence over their opinions. In fact the good people gave him a severe rebuke and sent him back to think over his wrinkled, besmirched, scabby self.

But this should not be the end for him. The authors and those who circulated the stuff should be punished. Our police should have arrested those whom they caught in the act of distributing such offensive and unlawful literature. They know it was an offense against the law as well as an insult to the moral character of our people. Our officers owe this protection to our people that they may never again be called upon to face such indecency in public affairs.

Republican.

1st 2nd 3rd Tot.
Burgess
J. A. Bowman.....1 0 3-3
Dan Bowser.....5 0 1-6
T. S. Province.....0 0 2-2
George Riesbeck.....33 25 1-58
Emile Velletay.....6 0 1-3
Council 3 years.
W. Richey.....34 20 1-54
D. C. Whitlatch.....37 27 1-64
Council 1 year.
John Leyda.....35 22 1-57
School Director.
J. F. Bowman.....22 12 3-34
Fred Cooper.....25 15 1-40
J. M. Faddis.....25 21 1-46
Tax Collector.
Allen S. Mansfield.....42 25 1-67
Auditor.
Chas Byland.....35 26 1-61
First Precinct, Judge, Sam. Chappagh, 38; Inspector, L. E. Johns, 25; Assistant Assessor, Sam. Bletcher, 40.
Second Precinct, Judge, Fred Estabolder, 22; Inspector, J. F. Laine, 24; Assistant Assessor, Louis Brown, 20.
Third Precinct, Judge, William Sanders, 4; Inspector, Robert Wood, 4; Assistant Assessor, Geo. Leyda, 4.

W. H. Calvert.....147 97 1-244
S. T. Chester.....92 49 1-141
F. L. Crow.....147 42 1-189
Oscar C. Lynn.....65 63 1-128
George Moody.....67 60 1-127
Frank Riva.....67 70 1-137
M. Wilson.....92 48 1-140
Council 1 year.
James Frew.....185 51 1-236
H. R. Sherrick.....109 72 1-181
A. D. Spencer.....43 47 1-90
School Director.
A. L. Bowers.....119 88 1-207
James Gelder.....175 107 1-282
D. H. Glunt.....161 55 1-216
J. A. Oshert.....159 72 1-231
M. J. Tyllavsky.....24 26 1-50
Tax Collector.
N. C. Brown.....47 52 1-99
George W. Dawson.....34 38 1-72
Frank Fagala.....14 12 1-26
George Gunderman.....20 11 1-31
J. W. Mathias.....107 76 1-183
Samuel Padgett.....24 26 1-50
E. E. Rice.....27 17 1-44
Wm. Zellars, Jr.....70 30 1-100
Auditor.
Harry Hornell.....259 169 1-428
First precinct, Judge of Elections, Frank Nelson, 314; Inspector, V. E. Reeves, 314; Assistant Assessor, George D. Clark, 303.
Second Precinct, Judge, F. E. McCloskey, 130; M. Wilson, 76; Inspector, Harry Assenat, 178; Assistant Assessor, J. M. Hill, 179.
Third Precinct, Judge, Joseph Hanke, 122; Frank Patterson, 78; Inspector, A. Chacke, 157; Charles Rodgers, 10; Assistant Assessor, M. F. Acker, 156.

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Card of Thanks.
Mr. and Mrs. Grover Geary wish to thank the many friends and neighbors for their kindness and sympathy during the sickness and death of their little one.
JAN 25

COLONIALS BEAT THE CASINOS

In the best basketball game of the season at the rink on Saturday night the Colonials defeated the Casinos by the score of 31 to 22. The game was very fast, and raised the enthusiasm to a high pitch. The lineup: Colonials—31. Casinos—22. T. Mangan, F. Miller, Riggs, Wilson, Newton, Oller, G. Miller, F. Miller, Substitutions: Pieper for Newton; Tobin for Miller. Baskets: T. Mangan 3, Riggs 3, Wilson 6, F. Mangan 2, E. Miller 2, Dietz 3, F. Miller, Pieper. Goals from fouls: T. Mangan 3, E. Miller 3. Referee: Byland.

Dance
The general committee of arrangements for the C. T. A. U. dance to be held Wednesday evening, Jan. 27th, in the Bank of Charleroi hall, report great progress. Everything points toward a very pleasant affair. Jenkins orchestra will furnish the music. The hours are from 8 to 12.

J. K. Tener, Pres. S. A. Walton, Vice Pres. R. H. Rush, Cashier.

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GREAT DAY AT THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Yesterday at the Christian church was one of the greatest days in the history of the congregation. Both services were exceedingly well attended, the church at the evening hour being crowded. Twenty accessions was the total result of the days work.

This makes a total of sixty-two for the two first week's of the meeting. The series will probably continue during this week. The subject tonight will be, "Barabbas."

Child found Dead in Box Car

A little child perhaps five months of age was found dead in a box car at Brownsville on Friday night. It had been shipped it is thought from Youngstown, Ohio.

JUVENILE COURT MEETING HERE

Washington Ladies Attend and Good Addresses On Work Are Made.

An interesting meeting of the Juvenile Court committee was held Saturday afternoon at the First Christian church it being attended by Mrs. J. A. McIlvaine, Mrs. Emma Speer, and Miss Lizzie Stockdale of Washington, all interested in the work of the court.

Mrs. J. K. Tener was the chairman of the meeting. Rev. Boblitt said the invocation, and Mrs. McIlvaine was introduced. She spoke on the general work of the court. After her talk, Misses Stockdale addressed on the topic, "Helpfulness of the Juvenile Court." Mrs. Speer spoke on "Practical Workings of the Court." Prof. W. D. Wright of this place gave a talk on what the work of the juvenile court is doing in the work of the schools. The meeting was closed by Rev. Shey of the Episcopal church.

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NORTH CHARLEROI NAMES CANDIDATES

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The North Charleroi Republicans have placed the following on their ticket for the various offices: Burgess, J. B. Kelley; council, Herman Nebbing, Albert Nutt; school director, P. E. Kramer, George Paxton.

The following are the Democrats nominations: Burgess Mr. Gee; council, Tom P. Sloan, and Elmer Grubb; school directors, Bert Nutt, Murry Moss.

MAN KNOCKED OUT OF OVERCOAT

A foreigner at Vesta on Saturday was struck by a fast train and killed, although not instantly. The man was a good looking, and several feet in the air. He was struck with such force that an overcoat which he had on was knocked off. He was picked up by the train that hit him and taken to Brownsville but died on the way there.



SHUT YOUR EYES

and see how you would like to go through the world with a black eye before them; that is what will happen if they need attention and you are neglecting them.

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Local Agencies

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Clyde Collins..... Speers
M. Dooley..... Duquesne
J. A. Mason..... Lock No. 4, Pa.

Jan. 25 in History.

1562—Princess Margaret, daughter of
Henry VII of England married
James IV of Scotland, king of
the Scots.
1770—Robert Burns, poet, born near
Ayr, died 1796.
1772—James Hogg, "Ettrick Shepherd,"
poet, born died 1835.
1868—President Grover Cleveland, who
later, U. S. A., retired, former hon-
orary general of the Confederate
States of America and prominent
in public life since the civil war,
died in New York city.
1898—Louise de la Roche (founder), popu-
lar novelist, died at Florence,
Italy.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Sun sets 5:07, rises 7:11, moon sets
9:46, p.m. 12:00 night, moon in con-
junction with Saturn, passes 1 de-
grees south of the planet, from west
to east, planet Mercury visible low in
west after sunset 2 a.m. Jupiter's
satellite No. 1 missing, because cross-
ing over face of planet.

GOOD EVENING.

America is the golden key with
which God has unlocked the new
millennium.—Dr. Thomas E. Green.

Results Satisfactory.

There were a few surprises at the
election on Saturday on the Republi-
can ticket, but on the whole a good
ticket was chosen to be voted upon at
the spring election. For Burgess
where there was the warmest con-
test, the one against whom the "pink
circulars" were put out was the win-
ner but with a small plurality, and no
majority. This is Mr. Whitehead.
Should be elected to the office he
will make a good official. His oppo-
nent on the Democratic ticket will be
George W. Rusbeck, also a strong
man, who it is predicted will poll a
big vote. Then there will be George
Newton who is running on the Inde-
pendent ticket. All these are popular
men, and the contest for election
should be more spirited than the pri-
mary. For tax collector there was a
good contest, but the real fight like
that for Burgess will be at the elec-
tion. Council was not so warmly con-
tested, but we feel that good men
were chosen on both tickets.

Unfortunate Woman.

In the latest sensation where there
was a poor unfortunate woman found
floating on the surface of the Monon-
gahela river, we find much for con-
templation. The poor being whoever
she was, is so far without a chance
of a decent burial, except that which
is provided for unknown mortals by
the county. Hundreds have viewed
the remains, and many think they
have seen her, but not one as yet has
been able to establish her identity.
Friends evidently she had none, and
sadly it is that she was only re-
cently seemingly. Perhaps, the woman
had for days been living without a
mouthful to eat. How do we know?

She was well dressed, and did not
look as if she were in need, but little
can we guess what heart anguish she
has had. It is indeed sad to think
that the body may have to be interred
without identification.

Electric Sparks

Occasionally a United States Sena-
tor allows himself to be imposed on
by financial tricksters in a way that
makes the man who answers a green
goods circular seem wise by compari-
son.

Some men are such liars that they
wouldn't believe themselves under
oath.

It doesn't make much difference
what we think, so long as we don't
think out loud.

The fellow who stays up all night
isn't the one who wakes up and finds
himself famous. It's all right to
hope for the best, but if you spend all
night thinking about it, you may not
get it.

Don't trust the fellow who has a
vacant look in a poker game. He
generally has a full house.

From the peaceful precincts of the
New Castle Democrat comes a word
of praise for the person with
which we are identified and we repro-
duce it for the benefit of those of our
readers who may not be Uncle Jeff
McClary's cherished subscribers.
Peruse, gentle reader: The West-
ern Penitentiary contains fifteen
bankers and not an editor.
We may be poor but we are honest—
on the record.—New Castle Herald.

The President has written the Ten-
nessee sprinter, J. A. Rector, urging
him to meet the fleet South African,
J. E. Walker. The multifarious
tastes and duties of a President!

Occasionally a United States Sena-
tor allows himself to be imposed on
by financial tricksters in a way that
makes the man who answers a green
goods circular seem wise by com-
parison.

The expressed desire of the Presi-
dent-elect that he have 'possum to
eat while in the South is proof posi-
tive that he has the taste of a patri-
ot. No plebeian likes 'possum.

Seeing that a select hunting party
is shortly to start here, it is a
strange that Cape Colony should
suddenly decide to surround its
estimates and their accompanying
plumes with a rigid protective policy.

Peter Rutsek may yet be brought
back to Fayette county. He is a
citizen of the United States and nego-
tiations are under way with the State
Department at Washington pending
his extradition. However, there is
some question as to whether he can be
secured or not, as the extradition laws
do not cover the taking of private
funds. Rutsek is located in the prison
at Buda Pesth, Hungary, and the
authorities there state that Rutsek
declares he is not an American citizen,
although records in Fayette
County prothonotary's office show to
the contrary. In Alien Docket No.
3 are entries showing that Peter Rut-
sek, banker, native of Hungary, de-
clared his intention of becoming a
citizen of the United States on July
17, 1891, and that in September 7,
1896, he was granted naturalization
papers. His papers are No. 599.

Fight at Ninth Street Last Night

A fight took place at Ninth street
and McKean avenue this morning at
about 1:30 o'clock between some Poles.
One was slashed up pretty much.
There will be an arrest made and a
hearing will be given tonight or to-
morrow.

Kerr.

Mrs. Mary Kerr age 83 years died
at the home of her son-in-law, at
Dunlevy on Sunday morning at 2
o'clock. Death was due to old age.
The funeral will be held at Nobles-
town on Tuesday the body being taken
there leaving Dunlevy on the 9 o'clock
train tomorrow morning. Interment
will be at Noblesstown.

James Barnett, Joe Hurst and
Russell Sphar spent Sunday in Union-
town with friends.

V. J. Shearer spent Sunday at his
home in McKeesport.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Richardson were
in West Elizabeth yesterday spending
the day with friends and relatives.

Rev. and Mrs. G. G. Kerr and
little daughter are spending the day
in Pittsburgh with friends.

SERVICES AT THE LUTHERAN CHURCH

The services at the Christ English
Lutheran church yesterday were
especially helpful and well attended.
Four new members were added bring-
ing the total adult accessions to 11 in
the last two weeks. The offering for
the day amounted to over \$100. This
active and flourishing congregation
are anxiously waiting for the time
when they can get into their new
church which will be in the early
spring.

Adolph Will Give Shoes to Winner

In the election contest as advertised
Adolph will show his liberality by the
giving away shoes to the nearest

ticket for Burgess. There was
no majority in the election but much
less. Therefore the lowest guesses
wins the prizes—a pair of shoes
apiece. For the girls, there were
two tied, Gertrude Sloan and Grace
Rice, both of whom guessed there
would be a majority. The boy
was Robert Ellison who guessed that
Whitehead would have a majority,
this being the nearest.

The shoes will be given to the little
folks tonight if they appear with
their parents and a copy of this
article. If they are unable to come
tonight they are requested to come at
the first opportunity.

Fred Lindaur has resigned his posi-
tion as pianist at the Ideal theatre,
New Haven, and is spending the day
in Charleroi preparatory to leaving
for Boston, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Yon spent
Saturday in Wilkesburg with friends.

Frank McClure spent Sunday in
Elizabeth with friends.

Harry Hargrave and his mother to
Greensburg yesterday where they
spent some time with another son.

William McFall spent yesterday in
Brownsville with friends.

Misses Sallie and Josie Reese have
returned home after spending a week
in Philadelphia and Milburg where
they attended the funeral of their
mother.

George Wise and daughter of
Waterloo, Iowa are guests at the
home of G. W. Paxton of North Char-
leroi.

HAYDN'S UNHAPPY WIFE.

The Composer Married Her Mercy to
Oblige Her Father.

Haydn married not the girl he was
in love with but his sister. Haydn,
you should know, the oldest daughter
and eldest son of the father and as
father had done a good deal for Haydn,
the composer, he was not much con-
cerned with his life and the father of
Haydn and his wife. At the time
of the marriage, Haydn was
twenty-two, and Anna Maria
was thirty-two. There does not appear
to have been much love on either side
to start with, but Haydn declared that
he had really begun to "like" his wife
and would have come to entertain a
stronger feeling for her if she had be-
haved in a reasonable way. Unfortu-
nately Anna Maria had neither sense
nor reason in her composition. The
entertaining Murray says that the ma-
jority of ladies married to men of
genius are so sure of the abilities of
their husbands that they are frequently
unreasonable. But Frau Haydn was
not a lady of this kind. The woman
had complimentary poems and her hus-
band's genius, but to Murray it was
just immaterial whether he wrote a
sonnet or an aria. Nay, she even
commented the "incredible" of using
the composer's manuscript notes for
certain papers as underlings for
copy and similar things. She was
not enough with it all.

When Haydn went from home she
would send him the most cheerful let-
ters. "Should you like today to go to-
morrow?" ran one of these missives.
"There is not enough money left in the
house to buy you." At another time
when Haydn was in London he received
a letter in which Anna wrote that she
had just seen a neat little house which
he liked very much and that he might
do himself the pleasure to send her
2000 golden with which to buy it so
as to have in future a "widow's
home." Pleasant reading this for the
genial composer. In the next case he
wrote without a trace of anger
"Should this be so take my man's
scripts to the music publisher. I guar-
antee you that they will be worth
money enough to defray my funeral
expenses." In the matter of the "wid-
ow's home" he thought it would be
best to arrange things himself. Ulti-
mately he bought the house, and in

of his coming dissolution he lived in it
for nine years after she had been dead.
Frau Haydn saw out her seventy
years, but some time before that the
pair had agreed to live apart as the
best way of ending a union which had
proved utterly unbearable to the com-
poser.

Marry and Part For a Year.

Among the many peculiar customs
prevailing among the people of Central
America is that of parting for one year
after the marriage ceremony has been
solemnized. This custom has prevailed
among the Jaros from time immemo-
rial. There is no courtship allowed to
be carried on between the parties prior
to the wedding. When a man selects a
woman he obtains the consent of the
parents on both sides, and if this is
given they are at once married. The
reason, however, for their not living
together as man and wife for one year
after marriage is in order to permit of
the parties visiting and staying with
their respective friends in different
parts of the country, which is a cus-
tomary thing and occupies the time
specified. Ninety-nine out of a hundred
of these marriages turn out well.

A Chance to Spoon.

A young couple from the suburbs
went to Dublin the other day to see
the pantomime. Being early, they vis-
ited a tea room and had the place all to
themselves. The attending waitress
had omitted in serving them to supply
the necessary implement to effectually
assist in the proper and palatable ad-
mixture of the tea, cream and sugar.
"Can we have a spoon?" inquired
the swim.

"Certainly," replied the observant at-
tendant. "I am just tidying up, and
you can have the whole room to your-
selves in a minute or two"—Liverpool
Mercury.

Pleasant.

Mistress (midnight)—I don't intend to
come downstairs to let you in at this
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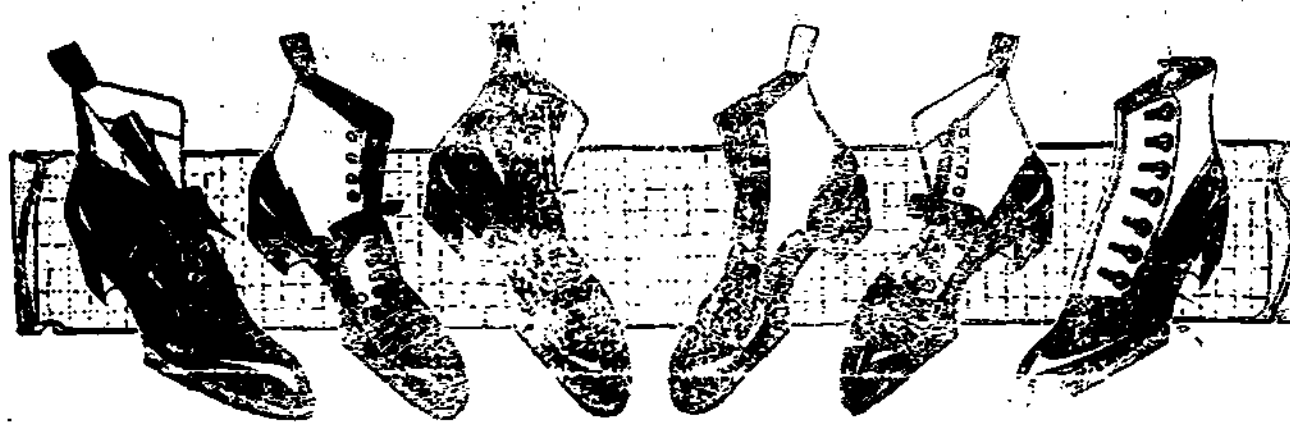
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Our great slaughter of high grade dependable Shoes is now on. This is an opportunity you cannot in justice to yourself miss. Prices have been cut and slashed to the very core. Every shoe in the store reduced to cost or less than cost.

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One Grand Bargain Feast All This Month

Children's vici kid and calf button or lace guaranteed, all solid, regular \$1 kind..... 69c
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Story of a Foot Race.
 A valuable negro who was discovered peeping a fast beat across the Tenth street viaduct the other night explained his haste to the policeman who arrested him.
 He explained that he had been to a swell dance and had paid the sum of \$2.50 for the rent of the stuporously correct attire in which he was clad. During the progress of the dance a suit of yellow broad cloth had been stolen against him in a most offensive manner. He wanted the story with dignity and without a word.
 "That's your yellow nigger, he kept a-bumpin' inter me till I ses to him, 'I ses, 'I'll see you after this dance outside.' I ses to him.
 "He ses, 'Very well, sub: I'll see you after this dance.'
 "I didn't like the looks of him no how, and when we gits outside he pulls a big razor and he ses, 'I'll cut you, he ses, 'I'll cut you.'
 "I thinks of that suit I pays \$2.50 for, and I gits up all the rabbit they is in me, and I starts to run, and I runs fast. I runs like a jack rabbit out of a gits to the viaduct, and a big police he bellers to me:
 "'Hey, there!' he bellers. 'What you-all gits so fast?'
 "'It's jist a-runnin' to ketch a cyar, I bellers back. But he grabs me, and he ses:
 "'Ketch a car, nigger! Why, youse passed four cars already!'—Omaha World-Herald.

A Curious Rescue.
 Two officers hunting wolves on the Dry mountain, in central Serbia, lost their way in a fog. After wandering for fourteen hours one of them lay down in the snow and speedily became unconscious. His comrade bound him with cords, placed him in a sitting position and then rolled him down the mountain. He glided down the slope at terrific speed and reached the bottom safely, being found an hour later in an exhausted condition by a peasant.

Man and Plants.
 M. Camille Saint-Saens says: "I do not pretend to adduce irrefragable evidence in support of my theory that man began his earthly career as a plant. I do maintain, however, that an impartial examination of my theory must allow that my assumption and hypotheses are sufficiently plausible to be considered justifiable."

Keeps Him High Strung.
 "The manager always keeps back a portion of the villain's salary."
 "Why does he do that—afraid he's skip?"
 "No, but he always acts his part better when he's mad."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Rarest of Trades.
 "Mine is the rarest of all trades," said an Englishman. "I am a maker of instruments of torture. I suppose that at this moment in Siam and China yellow men are bleeding and howling in the clutch of machines of my make."
 He lighted his pipe. "Pleasant thought, eh? But we must make our living somehow. In Birmingham mine's made. There for seventeen years I have been turning out rakes, hair and nail drawers, thumb screws, skinners, needle beds, searing irons, bone breakers and what not.
 "Siam and China have bought their instruments of torture from Birmingham for generations. Some of these contrivances are very costly and ingenious. There's a water dropper which works by clockwork that costs \$400. There's a— But that's too terrible to talk about. The Chinese instruments, by the way, are a million times crueler than the Siamese."—New York Press.

Sanson and Louis XVI.
 Three letters written by Sanson, the executioner of the "terror," are printed in the Paris Galignani. One of the most interesting of them is short enough to be quoted in full:
 "Citizen—I have just learnt that the rumour is current that I am selling or causing to be sold locks of the hair of Louis Capet. If any have in fact been sold, this abominable trade can only have been carried on by impostors. The truth is that I have not allowed any one in my house to carry away ever the smallest relic."
 Sanson, it appears, had in his private capacity much sympathy with the king whose head it was his duty in his professional capacity to cut off. In another letter he attributes the courage with which he met his death to the firmness of his religious principles, and when he himself died in 1805 he bequeathed money to pay for masses for his victim's soul.

Holding His Job.
 "I think the man who works at that place across the street is the most faithful and conscientious workman I ever saw. He never takes a holiday and always labors away till it's too dark to see any longer."
 "Faithful workman! Great Scott! He's the proprietor of the shop!"—Chicago Tribune.

The Fireside Diplomat.
 "I don't want to be nagging at you," Mrs. Marryat began. "But it's the little things that bother me most."
 "Ah!" interrupted her husband sweetly. "I suppose you're going to tell me you haven't a decent pair of shoes."—Philadelphia Press.

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- All Millinery in this sale at One-half the regular price.
 - All our finest and best Skirts One-fourth Off.
 - All Ladies' Suits sold during this sale go at One-third off.
 - All Silk Suits go at Half Price.
 - All Blankets and Comforts go at One-fourth Off.
 - All Table Linens and Napkins go at 20 Per Cent Off.
 - All Baby Caps go at One-third Off.
 - Gent's Suit Cases, Bags, Neckwear, Suspenders, Sweaters, 1-4 Off.
 - Art Linens, a wonderful variety, go at One-fourth Off.
 - All Hat Pins, Belt Buckles, Belts, Belting, Ladies' Neckwear 1-3 Off
 - All Leather Goods go at One-fourth Off.
 - All our Books go for a full Clean-up at Half Price.
 - 12½c Drapery Goods for fine comforts go at 9c.
 - Our fine 15c Cotton Batting to go at 11c.
 - All Lace Curtains go at One-fourth Off.
 - All Calicoes, best grade, blue, black, grey, red, Light Calico at 5c.
- No Goods Laid Away at These Prices.

The above Sweeping Reductions will give you an idea of the way the prices are cut. There are such prices all over the store and we will be ready for you Saturday morning. It's only one week—and these prices cannot last.
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The Message on His Watch.

In "Memories of Eight Parliaments" Mr. Lucy, the author, tells a story about Mr. Pyne, member for West Waterford, who, when under the crimes act a warrant was issued for his arrest in 1887, shut himself up in his Irish home, Lisfarny castle, had the trenches filled with water, the drawbridge up, took in supplies by a window in the battlements and thus lived for months, while he poked fun at the policemen who were wandering about below with the warrant in their pockets.

"The originality of Mr. Pyne's mind," continues Mr. Lucy, "was further indicated upon his watch. On its dial he had roughly engraved 'Pay no rent.' Whenever in troubled times any of his neighbors came to him for advice as to what they should do in the presence of a demand for rent, Mr. Pyne solemnly shook his head. 'I cannot,' he said, 'express my views on the subject. For Mr. Balfour says they are illegal. But I'll tell you what I'll do. I'll show you what time of day it is,' and, holding out his watch, the perturbed tenant read upon it the admonitory legend, 'Pay no rent.'"

Laws Against Beggars.
Beggings was a capital offense in England in the days of Henry VIII, when the laws were very severe

against beggars, and under a statute passed in that reign any one caught begging for the first time, being neither aged nor infirm, was whipped at the cart's tail. If caught a second time his ear was slit or bored through with a hot iron. If caught a third time he suffered death as a felon unless some honest person having £10 in goods or 40 shillings in land or some householder approved by the justices would take the offender into his service for two years, entering into a bond of £10. So the law of England remained for sixty years. First enacted by Henry VIII, it continued unreppealed through the reigns of Edward and Mary. Reconsidered under Elizabeth, the same law was again formally passed, the two legislative houses thereby expressing their conviction that it was better for a man not to live at all than to live the life of a beggar.

Tainted Diamonds.
The lapidary was about to cut the tail off a tadpole shaped yellow diamond.

"The chances are," he said, "that this fellow will turn white from terror when he sees the diamond."
"The value will go up 200 per cent," the lapidary set his steel knife in position. He prepared to strike on the knife's back the momentous blow.
"With me luck," he said.

SHOE CLEARANCE

We're throwing Dollars your way these days.

Our Grand Shoe Clearance Sale does the work.

We're cleaning out our present stock in order to get ready for Spring Shoes.

No carry-overs here.

No, Sir!

When the season ends the Shoes are ordered out.

To give you an idea of what's doing, we'll say—

Our \$4.00 Shoes go for \$3.48, \$3.50 Shoes for \$2.98, \$3.00 Shoes for \$2.48, etc.

Men's, Women's, Boys', Misses' and Children's Shoes all discounted, and all must go.

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CHARLEROI, PA.

And the hammer fell, the amputated tail dropped into the box underneath, and, lo, the yellow diamond that had been split was now quite white.

"The yellow talent," the cutter explained, "was only in the tail. Yet the talent was reflected all through the stone, and this made it seem of a uniform yellow throughout. Now the talent is gone, and our yellow diamond is a pure white one."

"The miracle happens fairly often"—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Miss the Easy Road.

Two young exponents of the strenuous life on Broadway were sitting in a hotel lobby the other evening discussing their plans for making some "big money" in the future. One of them confessed that his salary was "only \$45 a week," and he was having a hard time of it in keeping the wolf from the door. Sitting near them was an old gentleman who overheard their conversation and was evidently interested.

"You fellows are making the mistake of your lives," the old gentleman said at last. "You are chasing the will of the wind while you have the means of wealth within your grasp. Why, I'm considered pretty well off financially, as you both know, and I never received a salary of \$45 a week in my life. But I saved money when I was your age, and I found opportunities for investment that soon put me out of the salary class and made me a business man on my own account. The trouble with young fellows nowadays is that they can't see the opportunities that are given them. They have their eyes glued to the get-rich-quick idea so tightly that they pass by the only sure route to wealth."—New York Globe.

Handwriting.

As a rule, clear handwriting is uncommon with persons who do not write for a living than with those who do. Authors, for example, are creating something when they write; their mind is concentrated on this creative work; their thoughts are generally ahead of their hand, sometimes a whole sentence, and they hurry to keep pace with them. The result is bad handwriting, but handwriting with individuality in it, if not character. There is a theory that plain writing is most easily forged. This is not true. Obscure signatures are most easily forged and the so called freak signatures, which nobody can read, easiest of all. The best signature and the safest for a man who signs checks is neither too prim nor too involved; just plain, everyday writing, done in the easiest way, according to his temperament. Such a signature expresses as much character as any handwriting can, but it doesn't tell us a thing about the man's moral makeup; not a thing.—Boston Globe.

Wanted His Dues.

A reservation Indian was disconsolate over the breaking of his ax handle and his misfortune before the "farmer" of the reservation, who, through pity, took a new handle from his private stock and adjusted it to the ax. The farmer then noticed that the ax was shockingly dull. So, mentioning

the owner to turn the grindstone, he expended a half hour's time in sharpening the blade. When the rehabilitated ax was given to the Indian he was childishly grateful, but still lingered about, indicating by his actions that some feature of the transaction had not been adjusted.

The farmer was a little annoyed and called to an interpreter. "Ask the old fellow what he wants now," he directed.

After an exchange of grunts and gestures the interpreter announced, "He wants 25 cents."

"Twenty-five cents? What for?" "For turning the grindstone."—Harper's.

Making It Plain.

Henri was paying his first visit to London and was already wishing himself home in gay France, for he knew not a word of English. He had been very unfortunate and had lost all his luggage, a toothbrush. So he determined to buy another. But how was he to make his needs understood?

At last his luck turned, however, and he espied a chemist's shop with a notice outside. " Ici on parle Français." In he went and told the assistant in French what he wanted. But that assistant knew no language except English, and another who came to help him was just as far at sea.

But the proprietor was an intelligent man, and he knew at once from the cut of the customer's clothes that he was speaking French.

"Leave him to me," he said, with a superior smile.

Then, foraging a megaphone with his hands, he shouted in the Frenchman's ear:

"Our assistant who speaks French is out at lunch. You'll have to wait!"—London Scraps.

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